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YOU **SURE** ABOUT THIS, FLASH?

I mean-- **NO.** BUT--

--BUT **I'M** ONE HUNDRED PERCENT CERTAIN, AND SINCE I'M AN ACTUAL CARD-CARRYING MEMBER OF THE **JUSTICE LEAGUE** NOW--

--WAIT, NO Y--

--she stole my card **again?!**

--YOU **HAVE** TO **LISTEN.**

Seriously, Dick. Get some **pockets.**

RAGE OUTBREAKS-- RIGHT? DUTCH HARBOR, MONTANA, NEW JERSEY, PARIS, VOLGOGRAD, SIBERIA. **MAP** 'EM AND YOU GET--

A WOBBLY LINE.

PLAY

NOT IF YOU PLOT FROM **ABOVE.** CENTERED ON GEOMAGNETIC NORTH-- THE ENTRANCE TO **SKARTARIS.**

A **SEVEN-POINTED STAR.** SYMBOL OF THE ANCIENT ATLANTEANS.

BUT-- YOU ONLY NAMED **SIX** PLACES.

EXACTLY. SO WHAT'S IN THE GAP?

MIDDLE OF THE OCEAN. HOW DO WE KNOW WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR?

I'M GONNA TAKE A WILD GUESS THAT IT LOOKS...

...ah...

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...KINDA LIKE *THAT.*

IT'S EMANATING *SOMETHING,* BUT...

...I'M NOT SURE *WHAT...*

KEEP THE PSI-MUFFLERS CLOSE, EVERYONE. AND, *CANARY*-- FIRST SIGN OF *BUGOUTS?* SCREAM 'TIL THEY DROP.

EXTRA-ORDINARY... *A PSYCHO-THAUMATURGIC CONSTRUCT.*

Uh. A what now? AND-- WHO'RE--

DR. OCCULT.

I'M GRATEFUL, FRIENDS. THE **SYMBOL OF THE SEVEN** HAS BEEN AGITATED. IF I HADN'T SCRIED YOUR MISSION I WOULD NEVER HAVE FOUND THE CAUSE.

EXCUSE ME? WHO FOUND IT?

I'VE LONG SUSPECTED THE ANCIENTS HAD **METARELATIVISTIC ADAPTERS.** I BELIEVE THIS IS AN **EXCHANGE MEMBRANE,** CONVERTING **PHYSICS** INTO **FAITH** AND **FABLE,** WHICH--

BOOOOORING.

SPARE US THE **MYSTIBABBLE,** GANDALF. WHAT WE'VE GOT HERE'S A SUBTACHYON STREAM LACED WITH EXOTIC QUANTA.

IT'S PLAYING HELL WITH CAUSALITY-- THE FUTURE'S **REAL** SCRAMBLED 'ROUND HERE-- BUT DON'T WORRY. I GOT THIS.

Who's *this* now?

INSPECTOR PILGRIM. MY BABY BROTHER.

THE CLASSIC **W.E.S.** OUTBREAK.

What's a **W.E.S.?**

Y'know-- **WANDERING ESOTERIC SMART-ASS.** THEY POP UP WHEN THINGS GET WEIRD, ALL BIG WORDS AND EXPOSITION.

EASY WAY TO SPOT 'EM. THEY CAN'T ADMIT THEY DON'T **UNDERSTAND** STUFF, SO THEY JUST SAY **"FASCINATING"** AND KEEP MOVING.

Hm. I SENSE THESE SIMPLE SEA CREATURES DESTROYED EACH OTHER IN A FRENZY. THEIR **WRATH** LINGERS...

GETTIN' SOME TRIPPY HEISENBERGIAN EFFECTS, HERE. **OBSERVATIONS** ARE AFFECTING THE--

SMASH

Hrrr.

Hrrr.

Hrrr.

...

...I-I don't know why I did that.

Sorry.

FASCINATING.

FASCINATING.

Nfff.

YOU OKAY, WAL?

GOO?

I...yeah. JUST-- NEVER FLOWN ***AIR PTEROSAUR*** BEFORE.

Man, I wish Irey could see this.

AND LISTEN--***JAI***-- I DON'T MEAN TO OVERSTEP. IF YOUR SISTER WANTS TO GO EXPLORE, FINE.

HANDS-OFF PARENTING IS ***TOTALLY*** MY BAG AND I'M 100% NOT WORRIED.

JUST--*like.* YOU'RE ***SURE*** SHE'S SAFE?

ACTUALLY, DAD... I THINK MAYBE SHE'S SAFER THAN ***WE*** ARE.

Look, I know you're digging all this ***genre*** stuff, but... there's something about that g--

WARLORD!

THE CITADEL HAILS THE RETURN OF ITS CONQUEROR-KING!

WE PRAY YOU! EXALT THE HOLY NAMES!

Hm.

HEAR ME, SKARTARIS!

HAIL TO THE BRAZEN CITY!

HAIL TO THE SEVEN-POINTED STAR!

HAIL TO SKYRA-SHAAM!

'SCUSE THE **POMP.** THE LOCALS MAY SEEM BARBARIC, BUT THEY'RE SURPRISINGLY SOPHISTICATED. THEY'LL GET ***THAT*** REPROBATE FIXED UP, NO TROUBLE.

C'mon-- LET ME SHOW YOU AROUND.

Dad, I--

Not now, son.

ALL ***ATLANTEAN,*** OF COURSE. BY THE TIME I ARRIVED IT HAD DEGRADED TO SAVAGERY. THEY DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THE ***PALACE OF SHAMBALLAH*** COULD FLY.

I NEVER ***INTENDED*** TO RULE, BUT-- *ach.* PEACE HAS ITS PRICE.

AND-- I ADMIT--

--A FEW ***SMALL*** CONSOLATIONS.

WELL MET, STRANGERS. I AM ***TARA***-- BLOODQUEEN OF SHAMBALLAH, HOSTESS OF THE INNER COURT.

*Oh, right, **right**--* I READ ABOUT THIS IN THE JL FILE. YOU'RE WARLORD'S ***WIFE,*** AND--

--***STRICTLY PLATONIC*** CO-***REGENT.***

THERE HAVE BEEN ONE OR TWO LITTLE ***CHANGES,*** LATELY.

DAD, I NEED TO--

Ssssh.

NO, DAD--

YOU NEED TO **STOP IGNORING ME** AND--

JAI.

JAI.

I **KNOW.** BLACK ENERGY LIKE POISON, LEAKING FROM HIS EYE. **MY** SENSES HAVE CHANGED TOO, SON.

T-talking through vibrations...

KEEP SMILING. I DON'T WANT HIM TO KNOW I KNOW.

SON-- I **GET** IT. YOU DON'T WANT TO BE A SUPERHERO. DOESN'T MEAN I DON'T **TRUST** YOU.

DAD, I-- I'M NO GOOD AT THIS ST--

SO WHEN I MAKE MY MOVE, YOU GET OUT OF HERE. DO YOUR TRICK-- GO TO IREY. I'LL PROTECT MOM AND WADE 'TIL YOU COME THROUGH.

C-come through with what?

BRING HELP. BRING THE JUSTICE LEAGUE. TELL THEM-- **CODE BLACK-3.**

WH-WHAT DOES THAT M--

JAI.

NOW.

I KNOW WHO YOU ARE!

Huh. NOW WHY WOULD THE BOY RUN OFF LIKE TH--

I HOLD A BLADE OF THE ***UNDYING STILLNESS.***

EVEN ***YOU*** CAN'T WITHSTAND IT.

--SSSOMETHIIING'S WROOONG!

HA! ***DRAMATICS.*** YOU SUPERS ARE HILARIOUS.

LISTEN-- THE BOY'S GOING ***NOWHERE*** WITHOUT MY SAY-SO. DON'T WORRY, I'LL PUT HIM SOMEWHERE ***SAFE.***

THE MAGICS THAT SUSTAIN SKARTARIS CAN ***EASILY*** BE TURNED INTO A BARRIER... OR A ***FUNNEL...***

...BY ONE WHO *COMMANDS* THEM.

F-FLASH? I... I THOUGHT WARLORD WAS A ***FRIEND?***

THAT'S ***NOT*** WARLORD! HE'S--HE'S--

I AM YOUR FAAATHHERRR!

Nah, not really.

ECLIPSO.

I'M ECLIPSO. HI.

Or-- okay-- if you prefer--

LLADIZ OF THE VENGEFUL FLAME! ARCHIMANDRITE *GALID* THE *DETESTER!* HIEROPHANT *KAALA,* AVATAR OF DIVINE WRATH!

YES! *COWER,* BRIEF MORTALS, FOR I AM THE SACRED SPIRIT OF *RAGE* AND *HATE,* AND REALITY TREMBLES BEFORE ME!

I'M KIND OF A BIG DEAL, BASICALLY.

LIKE, I COOOOULD UNBIND HIS ATOMS. OR... I dunno... UNTIE HIS STORY FROM THE *CORE NARRATIVE* AND RETCON HIM AS AN AGONIZED BALL OF *GRISTLE.*

OR I COULD JUST MAKE HIM WATCH WHILE I *VAPORIZE* YOUR *TODDLER.*

BUT. I mean.

Eh. WHO NEEDS ALL THAT *CONFLICT &!%€,* RIGHT? ETERNITY'S TOO SHORT.

Oof!

...

What?

LOOK, I NEVER *MEANT* TO COME HERE. IT WASN'T MY DARK, EVIL *AMBITION* TO POSSESS THIS LEATHERY NUDIST.

BUT-- IT'S LIKE I SAID.

THERE ARE CONSOLATIONS.

Ancient magics... Atlantean powers... IT'S A HEADY BREW...

WH-WHAT SORT OF VILLAINY ARE YOU PLOTTING DOWN HERE, ECLIPSO?

Flash... I'm not sure it's as simple as that... HAVE YOU SEEN THESE PEOPLE?

They're... ecstatic...

YOU OUGHTA LISTEN TO HER, PAL. ALL THAT OLD-SCHOOL #@$%--

--EVERY-THING BOILING DOWN TO GOOD AND EVIL? WHERE DOES IT END?

A WORLD OF SIMPLETONS WHO CAN ONLY THINK IN BINARIES.

THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BOZOS WHO BUILT THIS. YOU THINK THESE TUBES ARE MATTER TRANSPORTERS?

Pfah! THAT'S THE LEAST OF WHAT THEY DO!

REALITY ADAPTERS.

YOU WANT TO CONVERT SOLAR PLASMA INTO A MAGIC BATTERY?

WANT TO SEED AN AETHERIC ATMOSPHERE ON THE MOON?

ZAP!

ZOT!

A DEVICE TO REMODEL EXISTENCE LIKE WET CLAY, AND THE ATLANTEANS BUILT IT ALL SOLELY TO PROTECT THEIR SUPERIOR FREAKIN' CULTURE FROM EVIL.

BUT IT WASN'T EVIL THAT SANK 'EM. IT WAS ***AMBITION.*** ***Bigger! Better! Stronger!***

A WHOLE EMPIRE WENT ***DERANGED*** 'CAUSE THEY DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO ***STOP.***

They never understood what they coulda ***had*** here.

But I do.

WHY DID YOU BRING ME HERE?

Mm?

Oh, I WAS KINDA HOPING YOU'D KILL MY CRUSH.

What?

I TAKE IT BACK. EVIL'S ALIVE AND WELL.

I mean... SHE ***DID*** IMPALE YOUR BOY, DIDN'T SHE?

THE LIZARD LADY? THAT'S--

--actually, that ***is*** true.

BUT-- FOR PITY'S SAKE! YOU'RE ***ECLIPSO!*** WHY DON'T YOU DO IT YOURSELF?

FLASH!

SORRY-- THAT-- THAT CAME OUT WRONG-- I JUST MEANT...

HE'S ***LITERALLY*** A MANIFESTATION OF ***VENGEFUL WRATH,*** RIGHT? WHATEVER HE'S UP TO, IT'S GONNA BE ***VIOLENT*** AND ***APPALLING.***

THE ONE THING HE ***DEFINITELY*** DOESN'T NEED AROUND HIM--

--IS GOOD PEOPLE!

Ga?

I'LLFINDYOUDON'TWORRYABOUTME ILOVEYOUSEEYOUSOON--

I L--

--LOVE YOU TOO.

Uhm.

V-VACATION'S OVER ALREADY?

PORTAL TO EARTH. HA! JUST BECAUSE IT'S NOT ONLY A TELEPORTER, DOESN'T MEAN IT CAN'T TELEPORT. SMART!

POKE

BUUUUUT POINTLESS. GET IT THROUGH YOUR SPANDEX, FLASH-- YOUR FAMILY ISN'T IN DANGER.

VENGEANCE... VIOLENCE... I JUST DON'T HAVE ANY MORE INTEREST IN ALL THAT-- eh--

"--DRAMA."

"TEMPORAL DUPLICATION," huh? TEMPORAL-$%€£$%#-DUPLICATION.

IT'S CLONING, WALLY! YOU £$%€@# CLONED YOURSELF SO YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GO ON VACATION WITH YOUR FAMILY!

NO! NO, THAT'S NOT IT AT ALL!

Guys?

IF YOU WOULD JUST LISTEN FOR A SECOND-- IF YOU'D JUST BE REASONABLE, THEN--

GUYS!

REASONABLE?! ME?! THAT'S RICH COMING FROM CAPTAIN SLIDING-DOORS! THERE'S NOTHING REASONABLE ABOUT ANY OF TH--

WHERE'S JAI?

SHAZAM

WUF

LISTEN, I GET IT. I LOVE ***MY*** GIRL TOO. I WANT WHAT'S BEST FOR HER.

Including... her ***murder...?***

Exactly. ***EXACTLY.***

LOOK-- Y'HLI'S PEOPLE... ***MUTANT REPTILES,*** *y'know?* ***REEEEAAAAL*** AMBITIOUS. HONOR, STRENGTH, THAT WHOLE ***RIGHT-OF-CONQUEST*** THING.

"WAY ***SHE*** THINKS, IF YOU'RE NOT VYING FOR ***MORE,*** YOU'RE JUST NOT LIVING.

"I DON'T ***NEED*** THOSE VIBES IN MY INNER CIRCLE, *y'know?* RILING FOLKS UP, GETTING THE COURT ALL FIDGETY.

WE'VE GOT IT ***GOOD*** HERE. WHY ROCK THE BOAT?

What's the ***#@$%'s*** happened to you?

"I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING. SOMEONE THAT BEAUTIFUL CAN'T ***POSSIBLY*** BE A BADASS TOO... BUT--Y'HLI'S A ***TERROR.***

"I TOLD HER, IF SHE KILLS THE ***GREATEST CHAMPIONS*** IN SKARTARIS I'LL MAKE HER MY QUEEN. KEEPS HER ***MOTIVATED.*** KEEPS THREATS AT BAY.

"AND ***IDEALLY*** MEANS SHE DOESN'T LAST LONG ENOUGH TO BECOME A THREAT ***HERSELF.***"

Jeez... I preferred you when you were an angry megalo-maniac...

PROBLEM ***IS,*** SHE KEEPS ***WINNING.*** YOUR ***KIDS*** WERE THE FIRST TO BEAT HER. YOU BETTER HOPE SHE'S GONE BEFORE ***THEY*** SHOW UP AGAIN--

HEH!

...the heck ***is*** this place? I'M ***BREATHING,*** BUT... I DON'T THINK IT'S ***AIR...***

WUFF

This is insane. YOU'RE A ***GOD!***

WHATEVER! WHY CAN'T YOU DO YOUR ***OWN*** DIRTY WORK?

COSMIC ELEMENTAL.

Oh, I COULDN'T DO THAT. I ***LOVE*** HER. PLUS, IT WOULD ***TOTALLY*** BUM OUT EVERYONE IN THE COURT. WE'RE LIKE ***FAMILY.***

I'VE CHANGED, FLASH. I'VE CHANGED FOR THE BETTER. HERE-- SEE FOR YOURSELF.

SEE WHAT THE ***ADAPTER*** CAN DO.

ANGER.

HATE.

THE COMPONENT PARTS OF VENGEANCE.

ABSTRACT CONCEPTS, RIGHT? EXOTIC QUANTA...

...BUT SUCK 'EM OUT... SIPHON THEM AND REFORGE THEM AS CRUDE MATTER... WHAT'S LEFT?

I... I don't--

SHUNN

HAPPINESS.

...mmm...

BEYOND GOOD AND EVIL. THAT'S THE ENERGY WE'RE TAPPING HERE, FLASH. THE ONLY THING THAT TRULY MATTERS--

"BLISS."

...I just... can't *believe* you'd do this and not even *tell* me.

I'M... I'M NOT *MAD*, WALLY. I'M JUST...

Don't you *dare* say disappointed.

Uh. TEAM?

Fascinating.

YOU THINK I *WANTED* ALL THIS?

I DID THIS FOR *YOU* AND THE KIDS!

Wally? Cool it, man. You're... gettin' kinda *loud*...

TO KEEP YOU *HAPPY!*

TO KEEP YOU *SAFE!*

TO KEEP OUR FAMILY OUT OF #%*$ LIKE THIS!

Dad? Y-your eyes, they're--

INSTEAD, THAT OTHER IDIOT SCREWED EVERYTHING UP AND-- AND LOST JAI!

WWWHAT'S HE DONE TO MY BOOOOK?!

WUFF

Y-yeah.

Wuhf.

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DC NATION SPOTLIGHT ON

SUPERMAN

INTERVIEW WITH JOSHUA WILLIAMSON

Get ready to dive into the thrilling new era of *Superman* with writer Joshua Williamson! In this exclusive interview, Williamson goes All In teasing what lies ahead for the Man of Steel, the newly super-powered Lois Lane, and the high-stakes challenges they'll face—from shocking alliances to the return of Doomsday!

The introduction of Lois Lane as Superwoman adds a fantastic new dynamic to her relationship with Superman. From your perspective, what has it been like exploring this radical shift and how do her new powers impact the way you approach their classic chemistry?

Superman is always a romance comic at its heart. And Lois and Clark are comics' best couple. Being Superman has always been a big piece of Clark's life, and Lois has been a part of the super-powered world from the very start. And she was never jealous of it. *But* now she gets to see it from a new perspective. She loves the powers. To fly alongside Clark. To know she can help the world in whole new ways. And she loves being able to do that with her husband.

I see this as a very playful moment for them both. It's been a blast to write two people who are as much in love as Lois and Clark are. And to be able to share something that used to be just Clark's. Lois has never needed saving, not really, and now that is even more true.

But having powers can bring its own challenges, and she's going to learn that. Thankfully she has an amazing teacher in Superman.

Time Trapper's mystery looms large in the current arc, and fans were blown away by the reveal at the end of issue #19! What can you tease about Time Trapper's plans for Superman and how it will challenge him moving forward?

I'm glad we managed to keep that a secret and it was a surprise for the readers. I've had this idea for Doomsday and the Time Trapper in my back pocket for years, so it's wild to finally be here and telling this story.

Ever since Superman and Doomsday killed each other they have been bonded forever. And since they are both immortal, that forever is real. And what does that mean for them both? Knowing they are destined to fight until the end of time. Once Clark realizes this, it's like he has to confront impending doom in a whole new way. And how does that impact the relationships around him?

In the past, Time Trapper wanted to rule all of time and space, but now he wants something much bigger and feels that only Superman can give it to him. If Superman doesn't help him, he will force Superman to watch as his life turns into a horror show.

The mystery of the Time Trapper and what he really wants will play a major role in the series over the next year, leading to one of the biggest stories I've done at DC Comics. We're just getting started with that story.

The *Lex Luthor Special* brings a new angle to Lex's character with his lost memories that fans will not want to miss. Can you give us a glimpse into what the issue reveals about Lex and what makes this story big enough to spill out into its own special?

I love Lex Luthor. And we've had this subplot for the last year about his memory being erased and how he seems happier without it. That his past is dark, and because of more than just his time in Metropolis and his hatred of Superman. At his heart Lex is a tragic figure in the DC Universe. He's his own worst enemy.

This could have continued as a subplot, but I wanted the issue and story to breathe, as it's an emotional one. We wanted to give it the room to really get into Lex's head as we explore whether the world needs the old Lex Luthor back.

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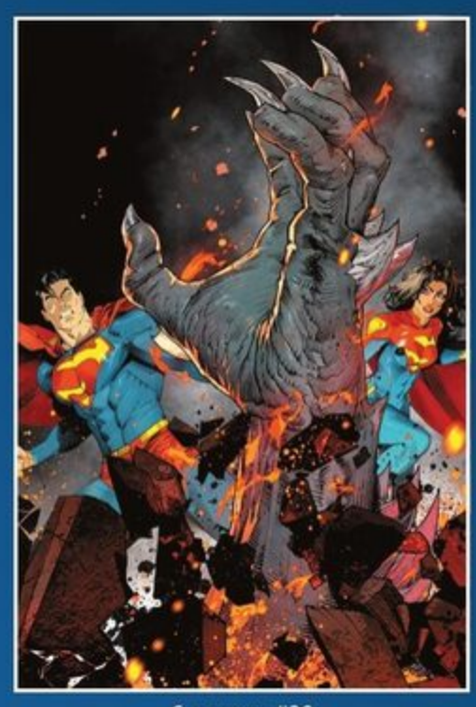

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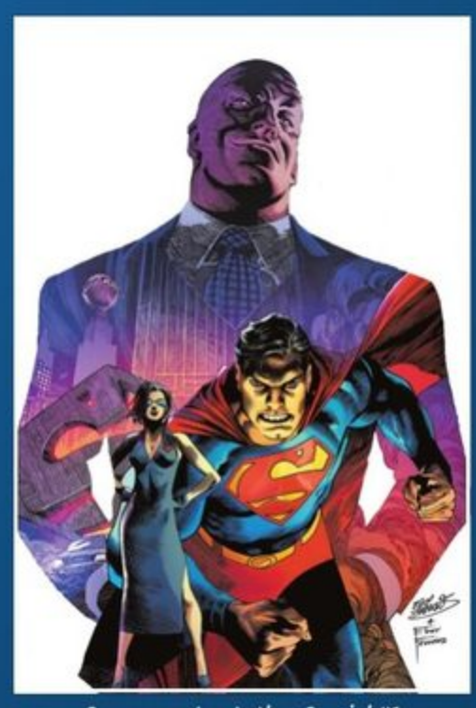

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